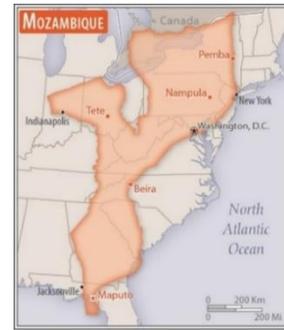




MOZAMBIQUE



INTRODUCTION

Mozambique ended almost five centuries as a Portuguese colony when it gained independence in 1975. Large-scale emigration, economic dependence on South Africa, a severe drought, and a prolonged civil war hindered the country's development until the mid-1990s.

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Filipe NYUSI

Head of Government

President Filipe NYUSI

Government Type

presidential republic

Capital

Maputo

Legislature

unicameral Assembly of the Republic or Assembleia da Republica (250 seats)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 799,380 sq km

Land: 786,380 sq km

Water: 13,000 sq km

Climate

tropical to subtropical

Natural Resources

coal, titanium, natural gas, hydropower, tantalum, graphite

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

low-income East African economy; mostly rural labor force; natural resource rich; strong South African ties; Islamist terrorism in north endangers newly discovered natural gas; currently in court over massive (possibly unauthorized) debt

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) \$38.42 billion (2020 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) \$1,200 (2020 est.)

Industries - aluminum, petroleum products, chemicals (fertilizer, soap, paints), textiles, cement, glass, asbestos, tobacco, food

Agricultural products - sugarcane, cassava, maize, milk, bananas, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, rice, sorghum, potatoes

Exports \$4.35 billion (2020 est.)

coal, aluminum, natural gas, tobacco, electricity, gold, lumber (2019)

partners: South Africa 16%, India 13%, China 12%, Italy 7%, UAE 5%, Germany 5% (2019)

Imports \$8.38 billion (2020 est.)

refined petroleum, chromium, iron, bauxite, electricity (2019)

partners: South Africa 31%, India 18%, China 17% (2019)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

30.9 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth

2.58% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity

African 99% , mestizo

0.8%, other (Europe, Asia) 0.2%, (2017 est.)

Language

Makhuwa 26.1%, Portuguese (official) 16.6%, Tsonga 8.6%, Nyanja 8.1, Sena 7.1%, Lomwe 7.1%, Chuwabo 4.7%, Ndaou 3.8%, Tswa 3.8%, other Mozambican languages 11.8%, other 0.5%, unspecified 1.8% (2017 est.)

Religion

Roman Catholic 27.2%, Muslim 18.9%, Zionist Christian 15.6%, Evangelical/Pentecostal 15.3%, Anglican 1.7%, other 4.8%, none 13.9%, unspecified 2.5% (2017 est.)

